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SUBJECT: SIROTKOVIC COMMENTS RE DOW/INA JOINT VENTURE
PROJECT

REFERENCE: ZAGREB 324

1 DURING BRIEF CONVERSATION WITH EUR/EE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
JUST PRIOR TO SIROTKOVIC'S MEETING WITH UNDER SECRETARY
COOPER ON APRIL 12, SIROTKOVIC MENTIONED, IN RESPONSE TO
QUESTION CONCERNING STATUS OF DOW/INA JOINT VENTURE, THAT
CONSTRUCTION HAD NOT YET BEGUN AND THAT AT PRESENT THERE
WERE A FEW "TECHNICAL PROBLEMS" UNDER CONSIDERATION. HE
SAID THEY INCLUDED SUCH QUESTIONS AS THE AMOUNT OF DUTY
TO BE APPLIED ON IMPORTS OF RAW MATERIALS FOR THE PROJECT
AND WHAT "EXPORT INCENTIVES" MIGHT BE APPLIED TO PRODUCTS
PRODUCED. SIROTKOVIC SAID HE HESITATED TO DESCRIBE THESE
AS "MINOR PROBLEMS" SINCE HE KNEW FROM PAST EXPERIENCE
THAT SUCH TECHNICAL MATTERS HAD POTENTIAL OF BECOMING
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SERIOUS ISSUES.

2. SEPARATELY, WE UNDERSTAND THAT DOW PRESIDENT MERSZEI
MAY BE PLANNING A TRIP TO YUGOSLAVIA NEXT MONTH FOR SOME
SORT OF CORNERSTONE LAYING CEREMONY FOR THE PROJECT.

3. DEPARTMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN FURTHER INFORMATION

CONCERNING PRESENT STATUS OF THE JOINT VENTURE WHICH
EMBASSY AND CONSULATE MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.
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